

GOVERNOR'S TASK FORCE
ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF BALLOT QUESTION 2:
THE REGULATION AND TAXATION OF MARIJUANA ACT
CULTIVATION WORKING GROUP

MEETING MINUTES

Nevada Department of Agriculture
Large Conference Room
405 South 21st Street
Sparks, NV 89431

Nevada Department of Agriculture
Conference Room
2300 E. St. Louis Ave.
Las Vegas, NV 89104

Tuesday, April 11, 2017
10:00 a.m.

Meeting started at 10:01 a.m.

Members Present:

Lynn Hettrick
John Ritter
Amanda Connor
David Standard
Dan Schinhofen
Tessa Rognier
Mike Stewart
Marla Wilson
Jason Strull
Armen Yemenidijan
Wes Henderson

Members Absent:

Patricia Farley

I. Public Comment

Adrian Snow commented after reading what was posted online yesterday regarding some of the changes, pertaining to location which would limit grows to be 15 miles of a police station. Creating laws that will block the majority of professional farmers from planting. This recommendation doesn't not help rule people.

II. Introductions.

The working group members introduced themselves.

III. Review and Consideration of Approval of Draft Recommendations from Cultivation.

A. Outdoor Cultivation - Buffer Zone

Draft recommendation presented by Lynn Hettrick and Tessa Rognier.

Lynn Hettrick reviewed the outdoor cultivation – buffer zone draft recommendation.

Lynn Hettrick stated that cross pollination can destroy the value of both the crops. The recommendation is to establish a buffer zone of at least five miles between outdoor cannabis cultivation facilities or from any indoor cannabis cultivation facilities.

Dan Schinhofen moved to approve the recommendation. Armen Yemenidijan second. All in favor, motion carries.

B. Pesticides

Draft recommendation presented by Jason Strull and Tessa Rognier.

Lynn Hettrick to contribute to this effort with information provided by the Attorney General for the Department of Agriculture for this statutory change.

Lynn Hettrick reviewed the pesticides draft recommendation.

Lynn Hettrick stated based on the information from Deputy Attorney General to make a pesticide list. Recommendation is to use the existing statutes for pesticides application and the existing medical marijuana cultivation statutes, regulations and policies to regulate outdoor and indoor cultivations. Utilize the existing provisions and adapt the existing medical marijuana Department Public Behavioral Health regarding the application for all marijuana cultivations in Nevada.

Amanda Connor moved to approve the recommendation. Dan Schinhofen second. All in favor, motion carries.

C. Security Requirements

Draft recommendation presented by John Ritter, Amanda Connor and Mike Stewart.

John Ritter reviewed the security requirements draft recommendation.

John Ritter stated that the working group recommended that the security requirements for outdoor cultivation be similar to the current medical marijuana cultivation requirements as there is a need to be ensuring stringent security over the product, prevent diversion to the workers and facility.

D. Home Cultivation

Draft recommendation presented by Lynn Hettrick and Jason Strull.

Jason Strull reviewed the home cultivation draft recommendation.

Jason Strull stated that the recommendation is to add to the applicable NAC section. Personal use cultivated marijuana is subject to the same quality standards, set forth the Department of Taxation, as commercially cultivated marijuana, including but not limited to pesticides, heavy metal, microbial and mycotoxin contamination level.

Amanda Connor moved to approve the recommendation. Dan Schinhofen second. All in favor, motion carries.

IV. Review of Production / Manufacturing Working Group Topics.

- A. Cultivating Standards
- B. Handling Standards
- C. Tracking Inventory
- D. Pesticides
- E. Dual Use Cultivating and Manufacturing
- F. Home Cultivation
- G. Advisory Group
- H. Outdoor Cultivation
- I. Regulatory Organizational Structure
- J. Security Requirements

Amanda Connor and Armen Yemenidijan to work on a draft recommendation for Product Acquisition.

V. Review and Consideration for Approval of Agenda Items for Next Meeting.

The following draft recommendations will be brought back to the next Cultivation meeting on April 18, 2017.

- Security Requirements
- Product Acquisition

The following draft recommendations will be presented to the Task Force on April 14, 2017.

- Outdoor Cultivation – Buffer Zone
- Pesticides
- Home Cultivation

Lynn Hettrick moved to adding these topics to the next working group or Task Force meeting. David Standard second. All in favor, motion carries.

VI. Public Comment

Mona Lisa Samuleson commented home cultivation is a big public safety issue. This Task Force is fine tuning marijuana in the state of Nevada and everyone needs to be regulated. Ms. Samuleson suggested passing the elimination of the 25 miles halo to the home growers for the medical patients. Ms. Samuleson also suggested that the Cultivation group should be behind allowing medical patients to grow at home.

Meeting adjourned at 12:08 p.m.